

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ZONING ORDINANCE TASK FORCE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2006
(Approved November 6, 2006)

The Board of Supervisors held a Zoning Ordinance Task Force Meeting on Monday, October 23, 2006. Present for the meeting were supervisors Robert F. Preston, Atlee Rinehart, Jay Doering and Rosemarie Miller. Also in attendance were Casey LaLonde, Township Manager, Planning Commission Chairman Harold Kulp, Planning Commission Vice Chairman Walt Woessner, Planning Commission member Kathryn Alexis and Township Planner Wayne Grafton. Mr. Preston called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Annique Ruiz-Brown was present to discuss the issue of roadside memorials. Her sister, Danielle Ruiz, died in an auto accident at the intersection of Sanatoga Road and Old Schuylkill Road in February. Ms. Ruiz-Brown raised this issue of placing a permanent roadside memorial at the intersection. The Board of Supervisors requested she forward examples of other municipal legislation on roadside memorials.

2. ZONING ORDINANCE DISCUSSION

The topic for this Zoning Ordinance Task Force meeting was Signs, from the draft Ordinance as supplied by Planner Wayne Grafton. The draft Sign Ordinance is based on the current West Whiteland Township Ordinance. Walt Woessner presented his October 11, 2006 memo on the subject, as discussed previously by the Township Planning Commission.

- Section 1701.D – change to five (5) days.
- Section 1701.E – change to fifteen (15) days.
- Section 1701.F – end sentence after “sidewalk.”
- Section 1701.H – revise paragraph for correct reference to “sight triangle.”
- Section 1701.I – combine with paragraph M.
- Section 1701.K – delete “except.”
- Section 1701.1A – Frontyard – out of the Right of Way.
- Section 1701.1B – Up to the road Right of Way.
- Section 1701.1C – use East Coventry Township definition.
- Section 1701.3 – roll all illumination issues into one section.
- Section 1701.4F – delete “per street frontage.”
- Section 1701.4J – delete “per street frontage.”
- Section 1701.8A – use East Coventry Township rules.
- Section 1701.9F – “off premise signs are prohibited.”
- Section 1701.9G – “signs which interfere with sight distance.”
- Section 1701.10 – “The following signs, and no other . . .”
- Section 1701.10C – Add “Historical.”
- Section 1701.10E – change to 3’ x 2’. Not in road right of way.

- Section 1701.10E – five (5) days for removal.
- Section 1701.10F – Add “for the health, safety and welfare . . . “
- Section 1701.10I – delete “any sign larger than six (6) square feet”
- Section 1701.10J – delete “fifteen (15) feet.”
- Section 1701.10L – check on U.S. Flag Code; delete “Flags may be illuminated.”
- Section 1701.10M – not in road right of way.
- Section 1701.10N – add “must be removed at ninety (90) days after the start of work.”

The discussion of the draft Sign Ordinance is hereby continued.

The next Zoning Ordinance Task Force Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 13, 2006 to discuss Historic Resources Protection Standards, Article XII.

The Sign Ordinance discussion shall resume at 7:00 p.m., Monday, December 11, 2006.

3. NORTH COVENTRY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY PROJECT BID SCHEDULE

Spotts, Stevens McCoy (SSM), North Coventry Municipal Authority (NCMA) engineer, submitted a letter detailing the project bid schedule for the NCMA wastewater treatment plant expansion project. The project is scheduled to be bid at the end of October with a bid due date of November 28, 2006. SSM is looking for comment from the Board of Supervisors on the proposed bid date. Rinehart made a motion to accept the bid dates. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Miller
Township Secretary